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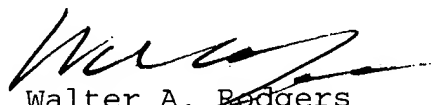
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MICHAEL W. MEDIN) SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PASSIVELY
SERIAL NO. 09/851,602) ALIGNING AND COUPLING OPTICAL DEVICES
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In response to the office action mailed July 21, 2003,
Group I, claims 1-9, are elected for prosecution on the merits in
the subject patent application.

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